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DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR COMMITTEE
OF THE STATE BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND
FAMILY THERAPY EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF

Administrative Action

RICKY M. LOMA a/k/a RICK LOMA

CONSENT ORDER

ENGAGING IN THE UNLICENSED PRACTICE OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELING IN THE STATE

OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened before the Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee of the New Jersey State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners (hereinafter "the Committee") upon information that respondent has engaged in the practice of alcohol and drug counseling and has held himself out as a certified alcohol and drug counselor (CADC) at a time he was not licensed or certified by the Committee. On March 1, 2006 respondent, a Certified Social Worker (CSW), wrote an evaluation to the Passaic County Probation Department on behalf of a client on stationery for Options Counseling Center in which respondent represented himself as

:

"Rick Loma, CADC Program Coordinator Primary Counselor."

Respondent has admitted that he misrepresented his credentials on an evaluation to the Passaic County Probation Department by holding himself out as a CADC.

It appearing that the respondent desires to resolve this matter without further proceedings, and the Committee finding this Consent Order to be adequately protective of the public interest, and other good cause appearing;

IT IS THEREFORE ON THIS 7 DAY OF MANY, 2007 ORDERED:

- 1. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from using the title or designation "certified alcohol and drug counselor" or "CADC" or any title or designation in which respondent represents himself as an alcohol and drug counselor unless and until he is licensed or certified by the Committee.
- 2. Respondent shall cease and desist from offering, engaging in or advertising alcohol and drug counseling services unless and until he is licensed or certified by the Committee or otherwise licensed in the State of New Jersey to provide mental health counseling.
- 3. Respondent shall cease and desist from offering, engaging in or advertising any mental health counseling, including but not limited to marriage and family therapy and/or psychotherapy and/or providing mental health counseling in any exempt setting unless and until

appropriately licensed in the State of New Jersey to provide mental health counseling services.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR COMMITTEE OF THE NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY EXAMINERS

Edward Reading, LCARC

I have read the above Order and I understand and agree to abide by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee of the State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners to enter this Order.

Ricky M. Loma